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1. ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENTS TO URGE THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE CY 74 CAMBODIA EXCHANGE SUPPORT FUND (ESF). YOU SHOULD ALSO ASK THAT THEY INDICATE SPECIFIC INTENDED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KHMER REPUBLIC (GKR) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. USG HAS ALREADY PLEDGED THAT IT WOULD PROVIDE FIFTY PERCENT UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 17.5 MILLION DOLLARS OF TOTAL 1974 ESF (SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS). GKR HAS ALREADY CONTRIBUTED 2 MILLION DOLLARS THIS YEAR AND WE EXPECT TO MATCH THIS AMOUNT WITHIN A WEEK.

3. THAILAND PLEDGED TO REPEAT CONTRIBUTION OF 250,000 DOLLARS AND THE UK HAS PROMISED TO REPEAT ITS PAST YEAR'S CONTRIBUTION OF 200,000 POUNDS. WITHOUT YET SPECIFYING A FIGURE, JAPAN HAS EXCHANGED NOTES WITH THE GKR TO THE EFFECT THAT IT WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE CY 74 ESF.

4. IN ADDITION TO DRAWING ON REFTELS, EMBASSIES SHOULD NOTE THAT GKR SURVIVED SEATING THREAT IN LAST UNGA AND CONTINUES A CREDITABLE MILITARY RESISTANCE. THE NEW PRIME

MINISTER LONG BORET'S GOVERNMENT IS UNDERTAKING A SERIOUS REFORM EFFORT AND HAS DEVALUED THE RIEL FROM 300 TO 375 PER DOLLAR.

5. FOR BONN: IN LIGHT OTHER CURRENT ISSUES IN US-FRG RELATIONSHIP, LEAVE ADVISABILITY OF ABOVE APPROACH TO EMBASSY'S DISCRETION.

6. FOR WELLINGTON AND KUALA LUMPUR: THE RECENT SUCCESSFUL JOINT EFFORTS OF ASIAN AND PACIFIC NATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE GKR AT THE UN SHOULD ENCOURAGE CONTINUED PARTICIPATION OF NEW ZEALAND AND MALAYSIA TO HELP THE LEGITIMATE CAMBODIAN GOVERNMENT SURVIVE AND NEGOTIATE A CEASE-FIRE AND PEACE. PSYCHOLOGICALLY, CONTRIBUTIONS FROM NEIGHBORS ARE REASSURING TO THE GKR AND DOMESTIC AREA PARTICIPATION IN ESF HELPS JAPAN AND OTHER DONORS GENERATE SUPPORT  
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FOR ESF CONTRIBUTORS. SUPPORT FOR THE ESF REFLECTS A SHARED POLITICAL JUDGMENT THAT WITH SOME ASSISTANCE THE GKR CAN REACH NEGOTIATIONS.

7. INFO ADDRESSEES MAY WISH TO INFORM HOST GOVERNMENTS OF USG'S STRONG INTEREST AND SUPPORT FOR GKR'S REQUESTS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO ESF. RUSH

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